Drinking water facilities in Maharashtra

1181. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of villages in Maharashtra which are still without potable water facilities ; and

(b) the steps Government have taken so far to provide the same ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI UPENDRA NATH VERMA) : (a) 98 'No Source' problem villages were still without potable water facilities in Maharashtra as on 01-04-90.

(b) All these problem villages are likely to be provided with at least one source of safe drinking water during 1990-91. Schemes for coverage of these villages have been cleared under Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) or State Sector Minimum Needs Programme (MNP). An allocation of Rs. 72 50 crores has been made in 1990-91 under MNP and Rs. 30.63 crores under ARWSP for coverage of the above villages and also other partially covered villages. In addition, central assistance of about Rs. 2.37 crores has been allocated for Mini Mission Project Areas in Latur and Satara districts of the State.

Introduction of new trains during the current year

1182. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of new trains which have been introduced during the current year ;

(b) the details thereof ;

(c) whether there is any proposal to introduce more trains in near future ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI AJAY SINGH) : (a) Seventeen pairs.

(b) A statement is attached. (*See* below)

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A Broad Gauge-cum-Metre Gauge Express train between Nizamuddin and Vasco-da-gama is being introduced with effect from 18-6-1990.

Statement

(b) During the year 1990, the following trains have been introduced on the Indian Railways :

1. 6687/6688 Jammu Tawi-Mangalore/Tiruchchirappalli Navyug Express (weekly).
2. 4245/4246 Surat-Varanasi Tapti-Ganga Express (Bi-weekly).
3. 5651/5652 Jammu Tawi-Guwahati Lohit Express (Weekly).
4. 1147/1148 Dadar-Muzaffarpur Shram-Shakiti Express (Weekly).
5. 8631/8632 Hatia-Varanasi Express (Bi-weekly).
6. 5303/5304 Gonda-Gorakhpur Express (M.G.)
7. 5719/5720 Katihar-Siliguri Intercity Express.
8. 5049/5050 Gorakhpur-Howrah Express (Weekly).
9. 3303/3304 Dhanbad-Chopan Express (Weekly).
10. 19JB/20JB Jasidih-Baidyanathdham Passenger.
11. 431/432 Rampurhat-Sahibganj Passenger.
12. 360/361 Bilaspur-Gevra Road Passenger.
13. 269/270 Guntur-Macherla Passenger.
14. 263/264 Guntur-Macherla Passenger.
15. 279/280 Guntur-Sattenapalle Passenger.
16. 267/268 Guntur-Sattenapalle Passenger.
17. 253/254 Macherla-Nadikudi Passenger.